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THE CACTUS CURE

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Cast

Jimmy King	-	Dick Hatton
"Bud" Osborne, Foreman	-	Yakima Canutt
"Buck" Lowry	-	Wilbur McGough
Poppy Saunders	-	Marilyn Mills
Norman King		
Mrs. King		
"Sagebrush" Saunders		
Geo. Wash. Lincoln		

The Story

Jimmy King's homecoming at 4.30 A.M. uses up his wealthy father's patience. Dad sends him to the "Flying W" Ranch in Arizona, owned by "Sagebrush" Saunders, a school chum. Jimmy arrives at the Ranch via a bicycle after being held up and scared by the cowboys headed by "Bud" Osborne. He meets Poppy, Saundser's beautiful daughter. After some weeks he is in love with her, but waits to declare himself until he can find who is running off some of Saundser's cattle.

"Buck" Lowry, Saundser's right hand man, sees him with Poppy and warns him off. They have a hard fight and "Buck" is licked. Jimmy overhears "Bud" and the cowboys planning a final raid on the cattle and is discovered by them. He notifies the Sheriff of their plans but is seized, bound, gagged and put in the bunk house by the plotters. "Bud" tells Poppy that Jimmy is hurt and at the "haunted house" in the valley. She rushes off with "Bud" and is seized and locked in a closet where she remains.

Jimmy, lying on the bunk, can see "Saverly", his horse, working the gag out of his mouth. He calls her. She opens the paddock, comes over and puts her head in the window. She then with her teeth, unties the rope binding Jimmy's hands, thus freeing him. He jumps through the window onto her back and rides for the "haunted house" where "Bud" and some of the cowboys are waiting. He stumbles into a sheet hanging on the line just as they look out the window. Thinking him a ghost they rush away. He enters and finds an incriminating telegram left by "Bud". The latter returns for it and they have a terrific fight during which the lamp is upset setting fire to the room. Jimmy and "Bud" roll through the door and continue their fight on the grounds. Poppy, in the closet, is revived by the smoke and sensing the fire shouts and beats on the door. Her horse, "Star", in the yard hears her and walking into the burning room pulls the staple out of the door through which Poppy falls. She is too faint to rise, but holding onto the bridle "Star" drags her out of the flaming furnace.

Jimmy has beaten "Bud" to the ground and the Sheriff has caught the rest of the gang. Next morning Jimmy is told Poppy has left with "Buck". Deeply hurt he goes home, as his six months' probation is up. There is a masquerade party at his home

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in honor of his anticipated return. At midnight Jimmy rides into the room on "Beverly", the dancers unmask and Poppy and "Buck" are there. The latter had been hired by his father to look after Jimmy at the Ranch and he had brought Poppy on for Jimmy's home coming, so everything ends happily.

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